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DETROIT RIVER BRIDGE.

The railways and the lake carriers are in an. tagonism over the question of a bridge across Detroit river, at the city of Detroit, and both parties have been lobbying pro and con at Washington and Ottawa. The ordinary legislator, be he American or Canadian, who has not been an eye-witness of the enormous proportions of the traffic by steam and sail craft through the strait of the Detroit, is quite unable to grasp the importance to the lake marine of any hindrance to the safety of navigation. At the point where the bridge is intended to cross the river is 2,200 feet wide, there is a bend in the channel, above and below, and the current runs between two and three miles an hour. Now it is proposed to place in this 2,200-foot channel two bridge piers, one 600 feet from either shore. This will leave a central space of only 1,000 feet through which are to pass, by night and by day, swift steamers, rafts of timber, tows of barges sometimes half a mile in length, sailing vessels, whalebacks and scores of new steel screw propellers 300 to 400 feet long. In spite of Sir William Van Horne's bluff pronouncement that "tunnels are back numbers and the bridge is what we want," we can very well understand and sympathize with the attitude of the vessel-owners. It is this: They do not make any objection to a high level bridge, provided that it spans the stream from shore to shore. But they do object to the piers in the channel, and no wonder. Any one who has tried to steer a boat of any kind past the city of Detroit by night, with myriads of electric lights in the city and numbers of lights in the stream confusing the eye and the judgment, will say that navigation is difficult enough there now without putting in bridge piers to increase the without putting in bridge piers to increase the

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